

Morongo Basin Municipal Advisory Council
DRAFT Minutes - Monday January 11, 2016
Joshua Tree Community Center, 6171 Sunburst Ave., Joshua Tree, CA 92252

- A. Call to Order
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Memorial Adjournment
 - * Victims of the December 2, 2015 terrorist attack in San Bernardino
- D. Members Present: Myers, Ziegert, Lutringer, Lundquist, Flanagan, Sitz, Swarat, Tuttle. Member Absent: Koenig
- E. Adoption of Agenda
- F. The minutes of the November 9, 2015 meeting were adopted as presented.
- G. Public Comments

Several residents of the Copper Mountain Mesa area had concerns over the condition of their roads and the fact that there is no quality of maintenance. Citizens also voiced their concerns over the increase of theft and vandalism in the MB and their perceived lack of law enforcement availability. Community watch groups are being formed in most areas.
- H. Public Safety Reports
 - 1. County Fire: John Chamberlain reported 1257 incidents had been addressed by his department during the November-December time period. The Christmas toy drive was a huge success and he reminded all to prepare for the anticipated El Nino.
 - 2. CHP: Capt. Robles introduced new PIO Officer Miller. He addressed the recent pedestrian fatality in JT urging everyone to please use crosswalks and to not wear dark clothing at night.
 - 3. Sheriff's Department: Capt. Joling reported 2 local deputies assisted in the SB shooting in December; Lutringer asked for annual statistics in the form of a handout at the next meeting.
- I. PRESENTATION
 - 1. "WEMO Call to Action" presented by Pat Flanagan. Ms. Flanagan's presentation was to remind everyone that the comment period regarding WEMO closed on 1/25/16 and urged everyone to voice their concerns on how it would affect the quality of life and land in the MB.
- J. Reports by members of the MAC

Sitz reported on upcoming events: On 1/23 J. Brakebill, CMC Fire Technology Program head will discuss the Paid Call Firefighter Program EMS and paramedic service, and how the community can get involved; there is a community cleanup scheduled for 2/20. Ziegert reported on a 52' cell tower being proposed at the SW corner of Aberdeen and Sage. Lutringer said there would be a community clean up on 2/6 from 8-12; there is a pack of wild dogs in the area and asked how they should be dealt with, and not everyone was notified of the power outage on 12/30. Lundquist reported there would be a cleanup in the Sunfair area in March, urged all to hike with the JTNP Superintendent during February, March and April, the next MAC will include representatives from different areas of law enforcement. Swarat said there is a community meeting on 1/19 at 7:00; a fire and paramedic tax will be on the June ballot in the amount of \$350/parcel. Tuttle addressed the thefts and vandalism, said the Point in Time count of the homeless in the MB will be conducted on 1/15. Myers reported scheduled December clean up which was cancelled due to high winds had been rescheduled to 1/2/16. Flanagan said the LUS committee would be meeting before the next MAC to discuss the proposed solar farm in JT.
- K. Adjournment: 8:35 p.m.

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